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PATTY JUDGE  
LT. GOVERNOR

April 29, 2010

The Honorable Michael Mauro  
Secretary of State  
State Capitol Building  
L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit House File 2525, an Act relating to and making appropriations involving state government, by providing for agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and including effective and applicability date provisions. House File 2525 is approved on this date, with the exceptions noted below, which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve Section 13 of House File 2525 in its entirety. This section eliminates the positions of the Chief and Assistant Chief of the Law Enforcement Bureau of the Department of Natural Resources. I am disapproving this language because these two positions are critical to the Department's mission and public safety. Both of these positions are funded with Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund monies and elimination of these two positions will not save any General Fund dollars. Furthermore, Section 13 is an unnecessary infringement on Executive Branch authority.

I am also unable to approve Section 14 in its entirety. This section makes the elimination of the positions of Chief and Assistant Chief of the Law Enforcement Bureau of the Department of Natural Resources effective upon enactment of House File 2525. Since I am disapproving Section 13, which would have eliminated these two positions, this language in Section 14 is, therefore, unnecessary.

For the above reasons, I hereby respectfully disapprove the designated items in accordance with Article III, Section 16 of the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items in House File 2525 are hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

Chester J. Culver  
Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

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